August 21

In the morning, the President traveled to Independence, MO. Later, he traveled to Kansas City, MO. He then returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

August 22

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vicente Fox of Mexico.

The President announced his intention to nominate Raymond Burghardt to be Ambassador to Vietnam.

The President announced his intention to appoint Donald Cappoccia and Pamela Nelson as members of the Commission on Fine Arts.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Commission on the Future of the U.S. Aerospace Industry: Buzz Aldrin, Michael Bolen, Neil DeGrasse Tyson, Robert Walker, Heidi R. Wood, and John W. Douglas.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Advisory Committee to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation: Matthew Fong, Barry Wynn, and Betsy Atkins.

The President announced his intention to appoint Cheryl Feldman Halpern as a member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

The President announced his intention to appoint Robert Martin as Acting Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts.

August 23

In the morning, the President traveled to Waco, TX. Later, he returned to Crawford, TX, where he had a telephone conversation with President Fernando de la Rua of Argentina concerning the Argentine economy.

The President announced his intention to nominate Margaret K. McMillion to be Ambassador to Rwanda.

The President announced his intention to designate Terrence S. Donahue as Acting Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.

August 24

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals to the President's Advisory Commission on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders: John B. Tsu, Lupo Carlota, David B. Cohen, Mary Ling, Barbara Marumoto, Gary K. Ong, Sunny Park, Amata Coleman Radewagen, Jhoon Rhee, Michelle Park Steel, Joe Ting, Chiling Tong, Baoky N. Vu, and Zachariah Zachariah.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Pittsburgh, PA, on August 26 and San Antonio, TX, on August 29.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released August 20

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 2131

Statement by the Press Secretary: Updated Implementation of the Patten Report

Released August 22

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of Management and Budget Director Mitch Daniels on the Federal budget surplus

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that on August 20, the President signed the following bills: H.R. 93, H.R. 271, H.R. 427, H.R. 364, H.R. 558, H.R. 821, H.R. 988, H.R. 1183, H.R. 1753, and H.R. 2043

Released August 24

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Claire Buchan